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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

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BILL NUMBER: HB 1219

NOTE PREPARED: Mar 8, 2013

BILL AMENDED: Feb 4, 2013

SUBJECT: Privacy of Law Enforcement Officer Addresses.

FIRST AUTHOR: Rep. Karickhoff

FIRST SPONSOR: Sen. Crider

BILL STATUS: As Passed House

FUNDS AFFECTED: **GENERAL**
 DEDICATED
 FEDERAL

IMPACT: Local

Summary of Legislation: The bill requires a local unit of government that operates a public Internet web site data base containing the names and addresses of property owners to establish a procedure to permit a law enforcement officer or victim of domestic violence to restrict disclosure to the general public of the person's home address.

It permits a unit to charge a reasonable fee.

It also provides immunity from civil liability for certain units that restrict address disclosure.

Effective Date: July 1, 2013.

Explanation of State Expenditures:

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures: (Revised) The bill could increase costs to modify existing data to prevent the general public from gaining access to the home address of law enforcement officers or participants in the address confidentiality program.

Additionally, there may be ongoing costs to maintain the correct addresses as employment, family, and residential changes occur. The amount of the ongoing maintenance costs will depend on the process established to verify and update the data, and the number of changes requested of the local unit.

Explanation of Local Revenues: Under the bill, the cost of modifying a database or redacting data may be offset with a reasonable fee that may be charged of officers who request this access limitation.

(Revised) **Background:** In 2005, county recorders were required to redact social security numbers from documents filed or recorded. Statute allows the county recorder to collect a \$2 county identification security protection fee for recording or filing a document.

While the redaction of social security numbers applies to all documents of all residents, under the bill, only records associating the name of a law enforcement officer or a victim of domestic violence would have to be removed or otherwise made unsearchable.

State Agencies Affected:

Local Agencies Affected: All.

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